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SUBJECT: NEW DISCOVERY IN THE GULF OF SUEZ

- 1. ALL CAIRO PAPERS APRIL 16 REPORTED OIL DISCOVERY BY
 AMOCO AT SITE OF GULF OF SUEZ SEVERAL KILOMETERS WEST
 OF ABU RUDEIS. RUMORS OF GOOD SHOWS AT THIS SITE HAVE BEEN
 CIRCULATING OIL COMMUNITY FOR SOME TIME, BUT AMOCO HAS REFUSED
 TO CONFIRM ANY DISCOVERY UNTIL APPROPRIATE TESTS ARE COMPLETED.
- 2. IN RESPONSE TO OUR QUERY REGARDING PRESS REORTS, ROSS CRAIG, MANAGER AMOCO EGYPT, SAID TESTS WILL BE COMPLETED THIS WEEK AND THAT HE EXPECTS "GOOD BUT NOT SPECTACULAR RESULTS". MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM UNDER SECRETARY SALIM RIZKALLAH TOLD US THAT NEWS STORY WAS "UNAUTHORIZED LEAK."
- 3. COMMENT: WHATEVER SOURCE OF STORY, NEWS OF NEW OIL STRIKE IS ALWAYS WELCOME IN EGYPT. AMOCO HAS PROMISED GIVE US DETAILS AS SOON AS TESTS ARE COMPLETED. EILTS

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